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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Gary K. Michelson, M.D.) Group Art Unit: (3731)
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For: Bone Plate Having a Portion Adapted to Overlie a Fastener))

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AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.